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## Selectmen Minutes 10-06-2003

### TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes  
 Monday, October 6, 2003  
 7:15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Greeley, Chairman, Mrs. Mahon, Vice Chair, Mrs. Dias, Mr. Hurd.  
 Also Present: Mrs. Galkowski, Mr. Maher, Mrs. Devereaux

Mr. Greeley apologized to Arlington's Jewish Community for having the meeting on the night of Yom Kippur. The meeting had to occur because of the Warrant Hearings for the Special Town Meeting on October 15, 2003.

Mr. Greeley thanked the volunteers and Comcast studios for broadcasting the Selectmen meetings on Community Cable Access TV. The meetings are re-broadcasting on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 2:00PM.

### APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

1. Request for Appointment of Additional Resident at Large, Transportation Advisory Com.

Edward Starr, Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee

Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

### LICENSES & PERMITS

2. Request for Permission to Hang Banner on Town Hall, St. Agnes Bazaar, 11/14-15

Mary Sweeney, St. Agnes Bazaar Chairperson

Mrs. Dias moved approval for banner hanging at the Town Hall and/or Pleasant St.

SO VOTED (4-0)

3. CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM

There was no matter presented for consideration of the Board.

### TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

4. Request for Payment of Bills

Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum

Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

5. For Discussion: Warrant Article Hearings

Article 2 - Town Manager Act/Residency Requirements

Mr. Maher suggested taking no action at this time concerning changing the Town Manager Act but suggested the Board could amend the Act, removing the residency

requirement. After further discussion most Selectmen agreed if all things were equal they would prefer the manager living in town but would like a wider field of candidates.

Mrs. Dias moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-1)

Mrs. Mahon voted in the negative.

Mr. Lyons recorded his vote earlier due to his absence.

#### Article 3 - Authorize Additional Real Estate Exemption

James Doherty, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, explained that in order to have this tax relief in time for the next billing period this Warrant Article hearing had to be voted on at this Special Town Meeting. It would benefit veterans, widows, and the elderly.

Mr. Hurd moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

#### 6. For Discussion: Possible Changes to Town Manager Act

Mr. Maher suggested taking no action at this time.

### Correspondence Received

Robert Pojasek Student Projects in the Town of Arlington Be Rec'd  
33 Wilbur Ave.

Thomas Steel Local programming Be Rec'd  
RCN

Mrs. Dias moved receipt of correspondence.

### NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Greeley wished [town programmer] Ted Mael well while going through his health issues. He would like Ruth Lewis, Bob Greeley, and John Bilafer to meet and make sure the tax billing is on track without interruption in software development for tax bills and revalue.

Mrs. Galkowski reported there will be considerable truck traffic this week trucking dirt to Reed's Brook. The Town has taken steps notifying surrounding residents and schools. Also, next year there will be great disruption on Summer St. due to Reed's Brook development and Summer St. construction.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

SO VOTED (4-0)

A true record: Attest:

Marie A. Krepelka  
Board Administrator